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PATENT APPLICATION

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Application No.: 09/423,461

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For: OPTICAL FIBER OBSERVING IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS

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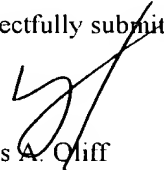
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